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For: INFORMATION RECORD MEDIUM)	Mail Stop RCE
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Sir:

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO Form 1449. To the best of the undersigned's knowledge, this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action after the filing of a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 in the above-referenced application. Accordingly, Applicants do not believe that a fee is due for filing this paper.

Copies of the listed documents are attached.

Applicants request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached PTO Form 1449.

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Respectfully submitted,

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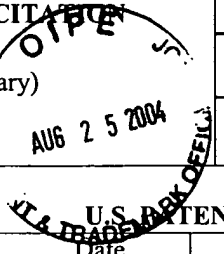
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